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The following is a report of activities with the WA-Trans Project since the Steering Committee met last.

GIS Analyst Position:

We have had a fair amount of interest in this position and will be interviewing at the beginning of August. We hope to have someone start August 16. This person will be:

- Developing translations and assisting with integration and QA/QC processes for the Puget Sound Pilot,
- Developing processes with the WSDOT people to get the WSDOT data for King and Pierce County ready to put in the framework. This will occur following a negotiation with local governments regarding dual carriageway and address geocoding,
- Providing GIS expertise in requirements documentation for the One-Road Pilot software development,
- Leading the effort to define and documenting processes for WA-Trans which are primarily GIS based,
- Maintaining the project website,
- And other things as needed.

Puget Sound Pilot (Phase I):

The Puget Sound Pilot is moving forward at a reasonable pace. We are working through development of a Memorandum of Understanding that we will use as a template for other pilot activities. Later we will work on data sharing agreements and disclaimers for the same purpose.

Agreement points are being implemented. Pierce County has provided them to the project and King County is updating their data accordingly. During this process there was a request for Ortho-photos that could be used for this purpose with surrounding counties. An agreement was reached with the statewide Ortho-photo program to provide that data for WA-Trans purposed and data requested by King and Pierce County was provided for this purpose.

Pierce County data has been translated to a personal geodatabase. The data includes all road segments and segment points and CRAB data for Functional Class and Speed Limit;

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ADT is ready to translate. A detailed test plan has been created and we are getting ready to test by setting up the WA-Trans SQL database and processes necessary for Pierce County and the PSRC to be able to test using the test plan and whatever other testing they would like to perform. The translation of King county data is proceeding with a basic translation created and working. We expect to be working with King County directly near the end of July or the first of August. We are continuing to fine tune the WA-Trans database to enable the addition of feature level metadata. We will be discussing this at the meeting.

One-Road Pilot Phase I (formerly known as the Transportation Pooled Fund Pilot)

We met with the committee of the states involved in the Pooled Fund Study in Ohio during GIS-T. It was a very productive meeting and they feel this is a really important project. They were interested in many aspects of the project beyond software. Tennessee is interested in doing parallel development/implementation efforts in Tennessee while we are doing the study. The other states (with the exception of Oregon) are not developing framework. They do want to get local data and develop an integrated statewide data set. We will have phone conferences with the group quarterly. We have already had one phone call. The focus of the meeting was to create a game plan for soliciting new members in the pooled fund. The other state representatives have agreed to contact surrounding states.

For WA-Trans part we have just completed re-writing the solicitation document and project description that will be uploaded to the Transportation Pooled Fund Web site by the end of July if not sooner. We hope to extend the solicitation to the end of the biennium. WA-Trans will be actively contacting other states in the near future. We met with our Oregon counterparts (OR-Trans) to plan the kick off of the One- Road Pilot with Morrow and Umatilla Counties in Oregon. We are having a meeting with Benton, Franklin and Walla Walla Counties on July 26th in the Tri Cities to kick off the One-Road in Washington. The One-Road Charter is in final Draft stage. The High Level Data User Interface Business Requirements are in final review at this meeting.

Communication and Participation

A presentation about the WA-Trans Puget Sound Pilot including a demonstration of the translation process was done for the WAURISA Conference in Tacoma. We will be doing a similar demonstration at the ESRI NW Conference in Spokane in September. Cathy Udenburg of Walla Walla County will work with Tami on the demonstration portion. Since

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Walla Walla County data will be translated for the One-Road Pilot this seemed an appropriate way to do this presentation. We will also be presenting at the International URISA Conference in September in Vancouver, B.C. We will focus on the pooled fund study and how we are building WA-Trans.

We have several changes to the steering committee to report. First we met with CRAB and had a very productive discussion with Steve Hillsland and the others working with him there. Steve has agreed to join the steering committee and either he or Kathy O'Shea will be actively participating. They have several needs related to Mobility that they think WA-Trans will help.

Roland Behee, of Community Transit in Snohomish County has been promoted and is no longer in a position to participate as our transit representative. He is interested in having Community Transit continue to participate in the Puget Sound Pilot. Kristina Evanoff of Sound Transit has agreed to become our transit representative.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held October 23, 2006 in Olympia. Hope to see you there!